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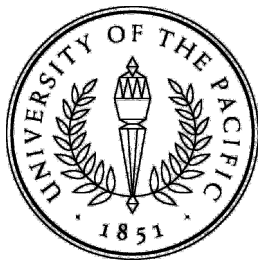
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UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2011

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



The highlight of the spring term was hosting the Northern California Regional Phi Alpha Theta History conference on March 18-19. The conference was a great success; attendees praised the

quality of the panels and the professional way in which the conference was organized. It definitely shined a spotlight on our program and the university. Read more about the conference on page two.

The History department faculty has been busy this spring attending and presenting research at conferences that attest to the breadth of the department. Ken Albala was a keynote speaker at the Shakespeare Society of France conference in Paris; Bill Swagerty... Gesine Gerhard presented at

the Fascism and Agriculture conference at Santiago de Compostela, Spain; Gregory Rohlf gave an invited presentation at the Chinese History in Geographical Perspective conference in Little Rock and participated in a workshop on using G.I.S. in historical research; Tomomi Kinukawa, Marisela Ramos, Jennifer Helgren, and Sociology colleague Marcia Hernandez will present research at the National Association of Ethnic Studies in Los Angeles; Jennifer Helgren also attended the UCLA Women's History Teaching Workshop in Los Angeles; Robert Chester presented at the Autry National Center's Western History Workshop in Los Angeles.

Tomomi Kinukawa presented at the Critical Ethnic Studies conference at the University of California, Riverside

Let me also invite students, parents, alumni, and friends of the department to join us at our year-end graduation and Phi Alpha Theta Initiation party. The event will be on April 29 at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Professors Gerhard and Rohlf: 7519 Woodside Drive in Stockton. We hope to see you there.

Finally, don't forget to send your news, address changes, and photos to

historynews@pacific.edu

Greg Rohlf, Chair

A NEW MINOR IN PUBLIC HISTORY

The History Department will offer a new minor in public history and museum studies beginning in the fall of 2011. Students will take a new class, the "Introduction to Public History and Museum Studies", as well as "Historical Imagination", the Senior Capstone, and several electives. Students will gain hands-on professional experience through a required internship at a public history site such as the Haggin Museum, the San Joaquin County Historical Society and Museum, or Holt-Atherton Collections. Experiential Learning opportunities in public history can help prepare our graduates for careers or graduate school programs in the field.

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GRADUATION AND PHI ALPHA THETA PARTY

PLEASE COME, ALL ARE INVITED!

AT THE HOME OF: DR. GESENE GERHARD AND DR. GREG ROHLF,
7519 WOODSIDE DR., STOCKTON

WHEN: FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH AT 5:00PM



PHI ALPHA THETA NEWS



Phi Alpha Theta Conference Hosted by Pacific

Thirty-nine students from nine northern California institutions presented their research at the 2011 Phi Alpha Theta History Conference held at the Stockton campus of the University of the Pacific March 18-19, 2011. Their papers, including eleven by graduate students, were organized into eleven panels moderated by nine Pacific History faculty and faculty from Mills College and Dominican University. Prizes were awarded to the top three undergraduate and graduate papers. Amanjot Bhangal (History, '12) was awarded third prize for her paper, "Gender as a Topic of the Holocaust." The conference was a superb learning experience for our students. Amy Delgado ('12) commented, "I was really proud of the way the conference turned out. It was very professional. I think everyone enjoyed it, and the presentations were great."

The conference opened on Friday night with a reception at Stockton's Haggin Museum. Students, faculty and guests toured the superb collection

and heard remarks by Tod Ruhstaller, Executive Director of the museum. On Saturday, the event moved to the DeRosa University Center for breakfast and opening remarks by Pacific Provost Maria Pallavicini, and then moved to the Wendell Philips Center for panels. The Key-note address by Pacific Professor Arturo Giraldez was titled "Silver and the Integration of Eurasia." Dr. Giraldez also moderated a panel. The conference was organized and run by our chapter of Phi Alpha Theta. Chapter officers are Elena McDonald-

President; Amy Delgado, Vice President; Elizabeth Youngberg, Secretary and Crystal Smith, Treasurer.

First prize in the undergraduate category went to Sarah Tkach of Santa Clara University for her paper, "The Picture of Free Untrammelled Womanhood: The Influence of the Bicycle on Debates about Women's Freedom and Femininity in the 1890s". Second prize was awarded to Arianna Urban of Santa Clara University for her paper, "The Veterans Have Succeeded: The GI Bill and the Jesuit Tradition at Santa Clara University."

First prize in the graduate category was awarded to Crystal Hupp of San Jose State University for her paper, "Boldly Going Where No African American Woman Has Gone Before: The Activism of Nichelle Nichols;" Second prize was awarded to Isaac Farhadian of CSU Stanislaus for his paper "Galileo's Copernicanism: An Examination of the Evolution of Galileo's Personal Copernican Thought From 1610 – 1615;" and third prize was awarded to Jeremy Cornish of CSU Stanislaus for his paper, "Detroit Calling: The Question of 1970s U.K. Punk Rock Music as a Revivalist Movement."

The 2012 National Phi Alpha Theta Conference will be held January 3-7 at Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Florida. The deadline for submission for papers is September 30, 2011. Next year's Northern California Regional Conference will be hosted by Santa Clara University.



FIELD TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO'S CHINATOWN

In March, Dr. Helgren's History of American Immigration class went along with Dr. Zhou's Introduction to Ethnic Studies and Multi-Ethnic American Literature classes on a field trip to San Francisco's Chinatown. Students learned about the history of the Chinese in the U.S. and the San Francisco Chinese Historical Society and Museum and then enjoyed a walking tour highlighting the architecture of Chinatown. They finished their afternoon tour with a delicious lunch at the historic Far East Café. Dr. Helgren and Dr. Zhou were awarded a Pacific Fund Grant to make the trip possible.



Students in Dr. Helgren's Introduction to Public History and Museum Studies present their Historical exhibit on athletic excellence at Pacific. The display will be in the library through the summer of 2011.

MISSION TRIP



The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute embarked on its first overnight trip to visit several of the California Missions as well as one of the Spanish Royal Presidios. The trip was organized under Dr. George Yagi, Jr., a former student of the History Department, who returned to Pacific to join the faculty of the Center for Professional and Continuing Education in 2008. The tour was comprised of visits to Missions San Jose, San Juan Bautista, and San Carlos Borromeo. In addition, the tour also stopped at the Royal Presidio Chapel in Monterey, which is all that remains of California's colonial capital.

HISTORY DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

A **research colloquium** and lunch was held on March 22nd. Presenting "In Her Own Name: Women and Economic Activities in late medieval Ghent" was Dr. Shennan Hutton, Ph.D. of UC.

Dr. Edie Sparks presented at the April 12th research colloquium and lunch on "Fashioning a Marketing Magnet: Tillie Lewis and the Tillie Lewis Food Company, 1940s-1970s".

April 13th was John Muir Day and the world premiere film screening of, "Exploring John Muir's Legacy through Photography and Film in the Janet Leigh Theatre".

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SUPPORT HISTORY AT PACIFIC !

We invite you to become involved in the education of our current students. Underwriting opportunities exist for donors at all levels of support. Your gifts help support field trips, and the Phi Alpha Theta chapter.

Contact Chair Greg Rohlf, grohlf@pacific.edu

FALL 2011 CLASSES

Chair's Seminar	HIST 01	G. Rohlf
Western Civilization I	HIST 10	Adjunct
U.S. History I	HIST 20	C. Cox
East Asian Civilization I	HIST 30	G. Rohlf
Colonialism/Latin America	HIST 40	Adjunct
World History I	HIST 50	T. Kinukawa
History of Medicine	HIST 60	Adjunct
Historical Imagination	HIST 70	C. Cox
History Goes to Hollywood	HIST 119	G. Gerhard
History of California	HIST 130	E. Sparks
Modern Chinese History	HIST 142	J. Helgren
Women in Latin America	HIST 150	Adjunct
US History Special Topic	HIST 193A	J. Helgren
Queer Asia	HIST 193B	T. Kinukawa

STUDENT and ALUMNI NEWS

LeeAnn Tallman ('03) writes from Germany: "Yep, we're coming up on our 8 year anniversary in January. I am currently working only 10 hours a week for one of the bases here. I have used my math degree professionally more than my history degree, but I did do a 3 month tour at the Center for Cryptographic History almost two years ago. I wrote an extensive paper on the SIGABA machine, which is supposed to be published in Cryptologia at some point. The SIGABA machine was used by American forces during WWII, and, unlike the Enigma machine, it was never broken. It was a great project, though, since I got to use both degrees on a daily basis."

Our mailing address is , Joshua and LeeAnn Tallman,,CMR 480 Box 978, APO AE 09128.

Here's a photo of Hannah and LeeAnn at Rothenburg ob der Tauber.



Johanna Bakmas ('09) Has been accepted at GWU to do an MA in Museum Studies. It's one of the nation's top ranked programs in the field. She has also been accepted at the University of Washington, another top ranked program.

She is now an employee at the Haggin - a position she accepted after interning as a student.

ShaneHetzler ('04) received a Doris Duke Fellowship. This award will provide funding for a summer internship, as well as cover most of the cost of his second year at Yale.

Heather Bergman ('09) wrote from Sac State, "I'm starting my second semester in the Public History Masters program. After I'm done with school, but I'm leaning towards archival work or museum work. There is a lot one can do once they finish school with a Masters in Public History, like archival work, museum curating, historic preservation, and working for the state or national parks service. One could also get their PhD and teach Public History at a university."

Ariell Heacox ('10) has been accepted to American University's Graduate Gateway program in Washington D.C.

Mike Birdwell, after Pacific, taught English at a public school in California for three years. The pay was good, the benefits laudable; day-to-day life was stable. "My goal was met. But that was the trouble. I was boxed in, with more expenses than gains financially and personally. I sold my car, put furniture in storage, and took a job in Chiapas, Mexico, teaching ESL to grades 7-10. At \$450 a month, student loans were tough to pay, but am quietly contented. Then my leave of absence expired. Mexico eased the way into Ecuador, then to Bolivia and then to Guatemala. One year turned into two, two into six. Life has vastly slowed down; the anxiety of the 45 minute commute has subsided. Arriving late is expected at social functions (although I still can't do it). Kissing stranger on the cheek at first introduction is par for the course. Teaching abroad is somehow still a little-known secret, and thought it's a risk, *ya vale la peina*."

STUDENT and ALUMNI NEWS

Silvia Guzman ('11) was chosen to be one of three students to represent Pacific at the 2011 U.S. Naval Academy Leadership Conference. Silvia was accompanied by students Sarah George and Caelan Urquhart and Dr. Corrie Martin, Director of Women's Resource Center. Silvia said that this "...was an amazing experience in which I was able to interact and discuss with students from both military and civilian colleges questions concerning leader development. This year's theme was "*Leader Development: The Cycle of Success*." Panelists expressed their opinions on the origins of leadership, developing a culture of leadership, and ways to develop as a leader. A subject discussed was what constitutes a leader. The consistent answer to that question was that being a leader meant having humility and integrity, being empathetic to those you serve, and seeing the potential in others even if they do not see it in themselves. It is about inspiring others and giving them direction and a vision to follow."

Amy Langford ('09) has been accepted into both Brandeis University and American University for their doctoral programs in History. She will probably go to American University which has offered her a four year fellowship.

Nidya Gonzalez ('09) received a Partners Program scholarship to pursue a master's degree in Library and Information Sciences. Starting in fall 2011, she will study at the University of Pittsburgh and work at the University's Hillman Library in Latin American Studies and Eduardo Lozano Collection, which is one of the finest collections in the United States.

FACULTY NEWS

This May, two years of work will culminate with the publication of **Professor Ken Albala's** *Food Cultures of the World Encyclopedia*, a four-volume, 700,000 word reference work encompassing the entire globe, written by 150 contributors. It covers not only nearly every nation state, but peoples such as the Masaai, Inuit and Maori, as well as places like Antarctica and Outer Space. Albala planned to write only the entry on Spain, but given gaps and unexpected drop outs, he also wrote Ecuador, Uganda (with a good friend of Professor Bill Herrin's who lives there), and The US Mid-Atlantic region, which is mostly about his native New York. This encyclopedia also completes a series on Food Cultures he has edited for Greenwood Press for the past decade, which along with the *Food Cultures of the US* and *Cooking Through History* series comprised twenty-nine volumes, all of which are in our library. The encyclopedia is now listed on Amazon for \$390, so there are great hopes that this will soon come out as an inexpensive paperback. In the meantime, there will be a copy in the library once it is in print.

The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (WWNFF) and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation have selected **Dr. Marisela Ramos** as a recipient of the 2011 Career Enhancement Fellowship. In announcing the award, the WWNFF noted that Dr. Ramos's selection "is a testament to her excellent scholarship, teaching skills and future contributions to the academic community." The fellowship provides year-long support for scholarly research at archives in Mexico and the United States, and for time for writing. Throughout the year, Dr. Ramos will work closely with established scholar and director of the Center for African Studies, Professor Ben Vinson III of Johns Hopkins University, on her book-length manuscript, "Black Mexico: Nineteenth Century Discourses of Race and Nation". Previous Fellows have included scholars in an array of disciplines from mathematics and earth sciences, to English, sociology and anthropology, from universities such as Duke, Columbia, Morehouse, and University of Michigan. This prestigious national award places Pacific among a cohort of institutions whose faculty are demonstrating scholarly and teaching excellence. Congratulations to Prof. Ramos

Caroline Cox presented a paper on the Continental Army at the Conference on the American Revolution held at Chicago's Newberry Library.